

LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 2001

• Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I speak about the need for hate crimes legislation. In the last Congress Senator KENNEDY and I introduced the Local Law Enforcement Act, a bill that would add new categories to current hate crimes law, sending a signal that violence of any kind is unacceptable in our society.

I would like to describe a terrible crime that occurred February 26, 2003 in Charlottesville, VA. Daisy Lundy was assaulted on the University of Virginia campus by an unknown man. Lundy, a 19 year-old of African American and Korean descent, left a friend's room just before 2 a.m. to retrieve a cell phone. When she got to her car, the assailant, described only as a "heavy-set" white man, attacked her, slamming her head into the steering wheel. The attacker referred to Lundy's candidacy for student council, and used a racial epithet during the assault.

I believe that Government's first duty is to defend its citizens, to defend them against the harms that come out of hate. The Local Law Enforcement Enhancement Act is a symbol that can become substance. I believe that by passing this legislation and changing current law, we can change hearts and minds as well.●

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HONORING THE 2003 JCC MACCABI GAMES

• Mr. LAUTENBERG. Mr. President, this August the Jewish Community Center Maccabi Games will be held in Tenafly, NJ. Along with 300 local athletes, there will be 1,300 athletes from elsewhere in the United States, Canada, Israel, Europe, South America, Mexico, and Australia.

It is quite an honor to be the host for this event and quite a responsibility. The benefit of the Maccabi Games lies not only in the sporting events themselves, but because the Games bring together young Jewish people from all over the world.

Along with the athletic competitions, there will be social activities that bring together people from all over the world who nonetheless share the same history, values, and pride. The Games will also feature cultural programs and community service projects. When the Games conclude, these teenagers will take with them memories and friendships to last a lifetime.

I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the participants of the 2003 JCC Maccabi Games. The Games are a great avenue for Jewish teenagers to meet other Jewish teens from around the world and make lifetime friendships and memories.●

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TRIBUTE TO MARY PAT ANGELINI, ALICE J. GUTTLE, THE HONOR- ABLE SUSAN D. WIGENTON AND THERESA I. SEITZ

• Mr. LAUTENBERG. Mr. President, it is with great pride that I today pay special tribute to four incredible women from New Jersey. On March 13 the Monmouth Council of Girl Scouts will honor Mary Pat Angelini, Alice Guttler, Esq., Theresa Seitz, and Judge Susan Wigenton at its Annual Women of Distinction Dinner.

Mary Pat Angelini is receiving the Community Service Award and is currently the Executive Director of Prevention First, which works to provide leadership and develop leaders to prevent substance abuse. She has been with the organization since 1992 and has helped to increase its annual budget from \$125,000 to multi-million dollar status.

Mary Pat Angelini has been involved with substance abuse prevention for many years. She is the immediate past president of the New Jersey Prevention Network and she was a member of the Leadership Council for the Community Anti Drug Coalitions of America.

Since 2000 she has served on the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse. Ms. Angelini coordinated 38 local coalitions to prevent substance abuse with the Monmouth County's Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Services. She also sits on the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's New Jersey Health Initiative Advisory Committee.

Alice J. Guttler, Esq., is receiving the Professionalism Excellence Award. She currently is corporate counsel with Centrastate Healthcare System. Centrastate runs a 241-bed acute care community hospital, a continuous care retirement community and a 120-bed skilled nursing home.

Previously she was a New Jersey Deputy Attorney General in the Department of Law & Public Safety. She served as counsel to the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey and conducted labor, employment, and commercial litigation.

Judge Susan Wigenton is also receiving the Professionalism Excellence Award. Currently, Judge Wigenton serves as a United States Magistrate Judge in U.S. District Court. She previously served as a part-time United States Magistrate Judge. Prior to that, Judge Wigenton practiced in Middletown, NJ with the law firm of Giordano, Halleran & Ciesla, P.C.

Judge Wigenton has also served as a Public Defender in Asbury Park, New Jersey. She was Chair, Monmouth County District Ethics Committee. She currently serves as the Chair of the Civil Justice Reform Act Committee for the Federal Courts in the District of New Jersey.

Theresa I. Seitz is also receiving the Community Service Award. Since 1961 she has served on the Recreation Commission of Freehold, New Jersey and has directed Christmas plays for the Parent Teacher Association or St. Rose of Lima School.

Since 1982 Ms. Seitz has been a member of the Board of Trustees for "180, Turning Lives Around." This organization offers services to all family members affected by domestic violence and sexual abuse. She currently runs 180's "Puttin' on the Ritz Resale Boutique," which is a non-profit clothing shop that benefits the organization.

I ask my colleagues to join me and the Monmouth Council of Girl Scouts in honoring Mary Pat Angelini, Alice J. Guttler, Esq., Theresa I. Seitz and Judge Susan Wigenton for their great service to the residents of New Jersey.●

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TRIBUTE TO THE "FOUR CHAPLAINS" OF WORLD WAR II

• Mr. LAUTENBERG. Mr. President, I pay tribute to the heroic "Four Chaplains" of World War II. In February, the Jewish War Veterans of Monmouth County and the Marlboro Jewish Center hosted the Monmouth County Interfaith Memorial Commemoration. These organizations honored four chaplains who bravely gave their life during World War II.

On February 3, 1943 the U.S. Troopship S.S. *Dorchester* was in the Atlantic Ocean when it was torpedoed by a German U-boat submarine 150 miles from Greenland. On board the ship were four chaplains. Protestant Ministers George L. Fox and Clark V. Poling, Roman Catholic Priest John P. Washington and Rabbi Alexander D. Goode. All went down with the *Dorchester*.

Two hundred and twenty-nine of the 902 Army GIs on board were rescued. Indications are that not as many would have made it safely to the rescue ships if not for the bravery of these four men. They helped soldiers to the rescue ships and when life vests ran out they gave up theirs so four soldiers could live. According to some eyewitnesses, the four men were last seen with their arms linked and their heads bowed in prayer.

I ask my colleagues to join me and the Jewish War Veterans of New Jersey in paying tribute to these four brave souls who died with dignity and gave their lives so others could live.●

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HONORING EPHRAIM AND JOANNE ZAYAT, DR. PAUL AND ESTHER LERER, MICHAEL AND SHARON GLASS AND RABBI YA'AKOV NEUBURGER

• Mr. LAUTENBERG. Mr. President, it is with great pride that I honor a few outstanding residents of the State of New Jersey. In March the SINAI Special Needs Institute is honoring these New Jerseyans for their dedication to the community. The Institute works to meet the needs of learning disabled children throughout the State.